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Sept. 28th, 29th, 30th and Oct. 1st, 1926/ In conference with Mr. Palzer, he requested me to look up a Rev. Geza Dekara of 344 East 69th Street, New York City, who is Dean or President of the Hungarian Church, as he might be able to give me some information concerning Hamborzsky. I was also given these additional names so that I might use same in my interview with Dekara: Rev. Szabo, Rev. Laky who is supposed to be in Youngstown, Ohio and Rev. Schodl.

After a few visits to Dekara's home, I finally succeeded in interviewing him on October 1st, 1926.

I find that his name is Geza Takaro and I received the following information from him concerning Hamborzsky. That Hamborzsky at the present time is not a member of his church but had been about 5 or 6 years ago. The reason for this is as follows:-That about 1920 or 1921 there were about 50 or more Hungarian Reform Churches established by the Reform Church of Hungary, and at this time a movement started whereby on account of financial conditions the Hungarian Reform Church was negotiating to merge with the reform Churches of the United States. At a meeting held it was finally decided that the Hungarian Reform Church would merge with the Reform Churches of the United States. Hamborzsky and about 8 or 9 others did not approve of this plan and decided to go their own way. Hamborzsky then formed his own church and followed the Episcopalian faith, with possibly one or two other of the men, but it seemed that while in New Brunswick there was some movement afoot to raise some money and Hamborzsky was let go. The Rev. Takaro would not comment as to whether charges were preferred against Hamborzsky or if he had to resign, but he did say that Hamborzsky as the situation stands to day, could not become a member of the Reform Churches of the United.